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SUPPLEMENTAL
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The cited references were brought the Applicant's attention in an European Search Report dated December 13, 2004. A copy of the search report is enclosed.

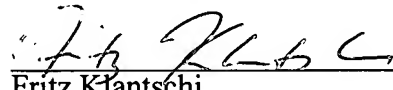
To the best of Applicant's knowledge, a first Office Action has not yet been received. If however, a first Office Action has been issued, Applicant makes the following statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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